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John W. Zucker Senior Vice President ABC, Inc. 77 West 66th Street, 16th Floor New York, New York 10023

Re: KESN (FM), Allen, Texas

Facility Identification Number: 58265

KESN Assets, LLC

Special Temporary Authority Hybrid IBOC Digital Operation

Dear Mr. Zucker:

This is in reference to the request filed December 22, 2006, on behalf of KESN Assets, LLC ("KAL"). KAL requests extension of special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station KESN with a hybrid digital signal, pursuant to the *First Report and Order* in MM Docket No. 99-325 ("*Report and Order*"). KAL proposes operation with separate analog and digital antennas, pursuant to the Public Notice issued March 17, 2004 ("Public Notice"). Our review indicates that the proposed operation complies with the requirements of the Public Notice.

Accordingly, the request for extension of STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KESN may operate with a hybrid digital signal as defined in the *Report and Order*.⁴ The digital signal will be transmitted via licensed auxiliary antenna BXLH-20040601BOO. The digital transmitter

¹ KESN is licensed for analog operation on Channel 277C (103.3 MHz) with effective radiated power of 98 kilowatts (H&V) and antenna height above average terrain of 606 meters.

² Digital Audio Broadcasting Systems and Their Impact on the Terrestrial Radio Broadcast Service, MM Docket No. 99-325, First Report and Order, (October 11, 2002).

³ Public Notice, "Use of Separate Antennas to Initiate Digital FM Transmissions Approved", MM Docket No. 99-325, DA 04-712 (October 17, 2004).

⁴ See Report and Order, Appendix B.

power output will be 0.395 kilowatt. The analog transmitter power output will be 51 kilowatts. KAL must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines; See 47 CFR § 1.1310. Pursuant to 47 CFR Section 73.1635(b), this authority may be modified or cancelled by the Commission without notice or right to hearing. KAL must post a copy of this authority with the station license. Any subsequent modification of the licensed analog facilities will require a modification of this authority.

This authority expires on June 27, 2007.

Sincerely,

Charles N. Miller, Engineer

Audio Division Media Bureau

cc: KESN Assets, LLC